

# THINK PAIR SHARE

Think-pair-share (TPS) is a collaborative learning strategy where students work together to solve a problem or answer a complex question. Decide upon the text to be read and develop the set of questions or prompts that target key content concepts.



## THINK

Teachers begin by asking a specific question about the text. Students “think” about what they know or have learned about the topic. Sometimes it’s useful to ask the students to write out their thoughts.



## PAIR

In groups of two or three, ask the students to discuss their ideas. Remember to allow sufficient time during the “pair” step to allow all students to talk.



## SHARE

Student pairs share their ideas with a larger group, such as the whole class. Often, students are more comfortable presenting ideas to a group with the support of a partner. In addition, students’ ideas have become more refined through this three-step process.